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In general review, it may be said that the author shows an evident desire to be fair in his discussion and he makes a number of telling points, but the thesis as a whole suffers from a somewhat loose arrangement of material as well as, perhaps, from a certain scantiness of data. Its greatest strength lies in its historical and descriptive parts; its greatest weakness in its discussion of policy and theory. The failure to bring into more effective relief the results of private operation, before and after 1906, as contrasted with those secured by the state administration must be regretted. However, it has to be remembered that considerable difficulty attaches to the preparation of a thesis of this kind so far away from the main sources of information.

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